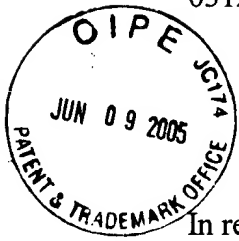


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SEVENTEENTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. The Examiner's attention is also directed to the enclosed Office Action that was issued on January 17, 2005, in the Canadian counterpart of the subject application, and to the May 3, 2005 Office Action that was issued in U.S. Application No. 10/209,348 (Sriharto et al.).

### REMARKS

The Canadian Office Action cites WO 00/45324 A, U.S. Patent No. 5,764,992, and U.S. Patent No 6,131,399. Each of these documents was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement in the subject application and is, therefore, not being cited herein.

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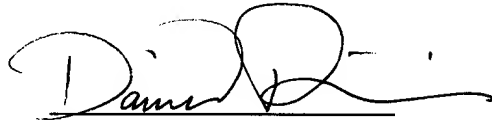
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### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner.

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